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REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 1, 2008

Sir:

This Reply is responsive to the non-final office action dated July 1, 2008, in the above-identified application. Also submitted herewith is a petition for a six (6) month suspension of examination under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.103(a). This submission is accompanied by authorization to charge deposit account number 50-1943 for the petition fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(g). If any additional fees are required to further the prosecution of this application, the Office is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1943.

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